

162nd Infantry Brigade "Tigers" Commander





Colonel James (Jim) D. Brown was commissioned a second lieutenant of Armor in 1990 upon graduation from Arkansas Tech University in Russellville, Arkansas.

COL Brown began his career with an initial assignment to the 3rd Battalion, 35th Armor located in Bamberg, Germany during which he deployed to Southwest Asia in support of Operation Desert Shield and Storm. Upon redeploying, he was assigned to 2nd Squadron, 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment as a tank platoon leader and then to 3rd Battalion, 64th Armor in Schweinfurt, Germany as a company executive officer. COL Brown returned to the continental United States in 1993 in order to attend the Armor Officer Advanced Course at Fort Knox, Kentucky. Upon completion of the Advanced Course, COL Brown was assigned to 1st Brigade, 1st Cavalry Division at Fort Hood, Texas. There he served as an assistant Brigade S-4, Battalion Motor Officer, commander of Company B, 1-12 Cavalry and Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1-12 Cavalry. In 1998, COL Brown was assigned to the National Training Center at Fort Irwin, California where he served as a Observer/Controller. Senior Tactical Analyst, and Protocol Bureau Chief. In 2002,

COL Brown was assigned to the Saudi Arabian National Guard Security Assistance Training Team with duty in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. Upon returning to the United States in 2003, he was assigned to the 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment at Fort Polk, Louisiana and subsequently deployed to Baghdad in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom where he served as the Regimental Information Operations Officer and Squadron Executive Officer for 1st Squadron, 2nd ACR. After returning to Fort Polk, Louisiana, COL Brown assumed duties as the Regiment S-3 and moved to Fort Lewis, Washington. During this time, 2ACR began the process of transforming to the Army's fourth Stryker Brigade Combat Team and then later re-flagged to the 4th Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division. COL Brown served as the Brigade Operations Officer and then Brigade Executive Officer and deployed with the Raider Brigade to Operation Iraqi Freedom until March 2008. In July 2008 COL Brown assumed command of 2nd Squadron, 16th Cavalry Regiment at Fort Knox, Kentucky. 2nd Squadron is responsible for the conduct of the Armor Basic Officer Leader Course, which provides initial military training to 700 Army, Marine, and international officers annually. After command, COL Brown assumed the duties as the director of the Army Accessions Command Commanders Initiative Group at Fort Knox, KY. COL Brown attended the United States Army War College at Carlisle, PA during the 2011-2012 academic years. Upon graduation, he deployed to Afghanistan as Senior Advisor and Team Leader for the 4th Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division (Stryker) in the southern province of Kandahar.

His awards include the Bronze Star Medal (with 3 OLCs), Meritorious Service Medal (with 2 OLCs), Army Commendation Medal (with 2 OLCs) and the Parachutist Badge. COL Brown is a graduate of the Armor Officer Basic Course, Armor Officer Advance Course, Command and General Staff College, and the U.S. Army War College.